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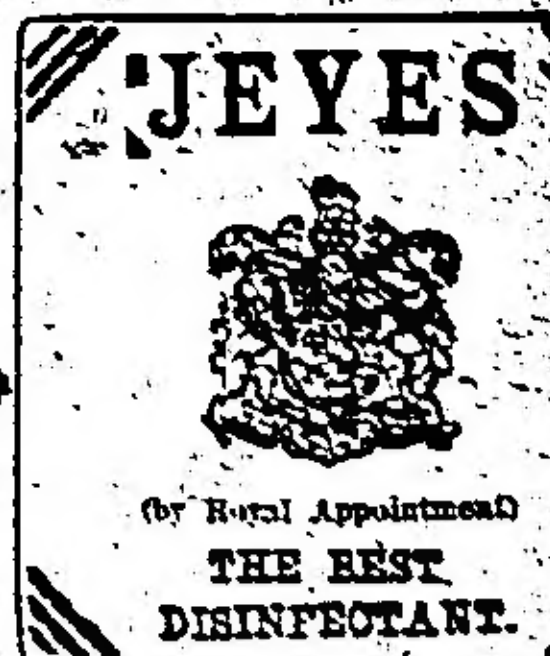
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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

EMPIRE FORESTRY.

DELEGATES RECEIVED BY THE KING.

LONDON, July 21.
Delegates of the Empire Forestry Commission attended Buckingham Palace to-day. Mr. Mackay (Victoria) presented an address to the King, who, in replying, specially welcomed the overseas delegates and congratulated the Home Forestry authority on joining hands with the Empire Foresters so soon after the war. His Majesty expressed satisfaction that India and other Dominions where forest science was already a part of the national life were placing their experience at the disposal of those parts of the Empire to which the importance of the subject was brought home for the first time by the experience of the war.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

ASSEMBLY CALLED FOR NOVEMBER.

LONDON, July 21.
At the request of the Council of the League of Nations, President Wilson has summoned a meeting of the assembly of the League at Geneva for November 11.

THE PRINCE IN TASMANIA.

LONDON, July 21.
The Prince of Wales has arrived. He received a vociferous welcome. He was suffering from a slight attack of laryngitis and was unable to use his voice.

BRITISH DREADNOUGHTS COVER GREEK LANDING.

CONSTANTINOPLE, July 22.
The Greeks landed on July 20 at Rodosto and Ereğli under cover of British dreadnoughts without opposition.

BOLSHEVIK PUSH SPENT.

SITUATION BECOMING STATIONARY.

LONDON, July 21.
A message from Warsaw states that in spite of repeated Bolshevik attacks the Galician frontier is sufficiently protected. The Poles securely hold the approaches to Brest Litovsk and Lwow, also the central Pripiet. The telegram adds that it is evident from last week's fighting that the Bolshevik push has spent itself. Everything points to the situation becoming stationary.

GERMANY COMPLETELY NEUTRAL.

BERLIN, July 21.
It is officially stated Germany will continue to maintain complete neutrality in the Russo-Polish situation.

AMERICAN RAILWAY EMPLOYEES.

BIG INCREASE IN WAGES BILL.

CHICAGO, July 20.
The Railway Labour Board shortly issues the first award in regard to an increase pay for the country's 2,000,000 railway employees. It is reliably reported that the award will average 50 or 60 per cent. of the amount asked, in other words about half a billion dollars.

"SHAMROCK'S" VICTORY.

AN EXCITING FINISH.

SANDYHOOK, July 21.
The "Shamrock's" victory is very popular and Sir Thomas Lipton is the centre of extravagant enthusiasm. The finish was very exciting. The "Resolute" made a determined attempt to beat the "Shamrock" on the time allowance.

THE THIRD RACE.

In the third race over a windward and leeward course the "Shamrock" led at the start but the "Resolute" crossed her bows an hour later, increased lead to half a mile and rounded the half-way mark 12 min. ahead. On the homeward run the "Shamrock" re-passed the "Resolute" and finished 18 seconds ahead. The "Shamrock" was therefore beaten on the time allowance by 7 min. 1 sec. A navy blimp observing the race fell into Jamaica Bay. The crew and newspapermen aboard were easily rescued.

BRITAIN'S REPLY TO RUSSIA.

POLES TO APPLY FOR AN ARMISTICE.

A TEST OF SINCERITY.

LONDON, July 21.
The British reply to the Soviet note despatched to Moscow last night assumes that the Soviet is ready to make peace but suggests that some of the Soviet's arguments cast a doubt upon that intention. In the meantime in order to test the Soviet's sincerity, the poles are advised to apply for an armistice. If the Soviet declines and invades Poland the British trade negotiations will be stopped. The Russian mission at present at Reval will not proceed to England until the question is settled.

SCULLING.

THE WINGFIELD SCULLS.

LONDON, July 21.
The Wingfield Sculls from Putney to Mortlake, the first race since 1914, was won by Beresford (junior) Time 23min. 14secs. Beresford represents Britain at the Olympic sculling.

GERMAN WIRELESS.

FULL AND INTENSIFIED OPERATIONS.

BERLIN, July 23.
The German wireless stations have resumed full and unrestricted operations and are proceeding on an even more intensified scale than before the war. Nauener resumes sending out press news reaching to distant countries.

FUGITIVE BOXER SURRENDERS.

LOS ANGELES, July 21.
The boxer Jack Johnson, who for twelve months has been a fugitive from justice, surrendered to the American authorities on the Mexican border to be taken to Chicago to serve a sentence of a year's imprisonment for violation of the White Slave Act.

THE DOLLAR.

To-day's closing rate 3/9 1/2
To-day's opening rate 3/9 1/2

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

DIRIGIBLE DESTROYED.

AKRON (Ohio), July 20.
The United States naval dirigible D-1 has been destroyed by a fire at the hangar with two other balloons.

AMERICAN RAILWAY.

PHILADELPHIA, July 20.
The Pennsylvania Railroad Company announces a 10 per cent. reduction in the working force. The reduction is due to the necessity to economise in view of the fact that the expenditure has exceeded the income for some time. The reduction affects between eleven to twelve thousand men in the Eastern regions alone.

"GETTING RICH QUICK."

ANCIENT PROTOTYPE OF CRAZE.

"Industrialists" are fashionable. In Japan, in the manufacturing nations of Europe, in Great Britain and to a lesser extent in the United States the speculative public has gone on a mad revel in industrial securities. Re-floatation at "replacement values" has been the bait to attract monies from the public in England—this and other methods are being used to decoy the unwary as best suits the national temper of those who would get rich quick in other countries.

The present craze is nothing new. Its prototype raged through Europe a century and a half ago when Postlethwaite wrote in his Dictionary of Commerce:—

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A NEW LIFE-BOAT.

SIR W. RUNCIMAN ON OFFICIAL "HUMBUG."

A luncheon was given the other day at the Savoy Hotel by the Board of Directors of the Gaskin Life-boat Syndicate, with the object of explaining the merits of an invention which, it is claimed, should play a large part in the saving of life at sea. The Gaskin Life-boat has been classified in America as an A.1. open life boat, which includes the best types of life-boats allowed to be swung under davits. She has also been certified as a 2 A. standard life-boat of the second-class, and as a life-boat. So far, the Board of Trade has refused to grant an A. 1 certificate on the ground that, having a double bottom it is not, by an old regulation, a life-boat but a pontoon. Sir Walter Runciman, who presided, said he wanted the Board of Trade officials to have done with unnecessary "humbug" and to get rid of the red tape which actuated them. They should minimize the loss of life as much as possible, and the Gaskin Life-boat ought to be adopted by the Board of Trade, even if a new regulation had to be framed for that purpose at the earliest moment.

Sir Arthur Pearson (Director of the Gaskin Syndicate) said that at present there was needless loss of life or sea owing to the inefficient life-boats. The Gaskin Life-boat could not go wrong; and the antiquated regulation which said that a boat was not a boat which had a double bottom, should be scrapped. The Board of Trade did not say they did not want to give an A. 1 certificate, but they declared that they were unable to do so under the existing regulation.

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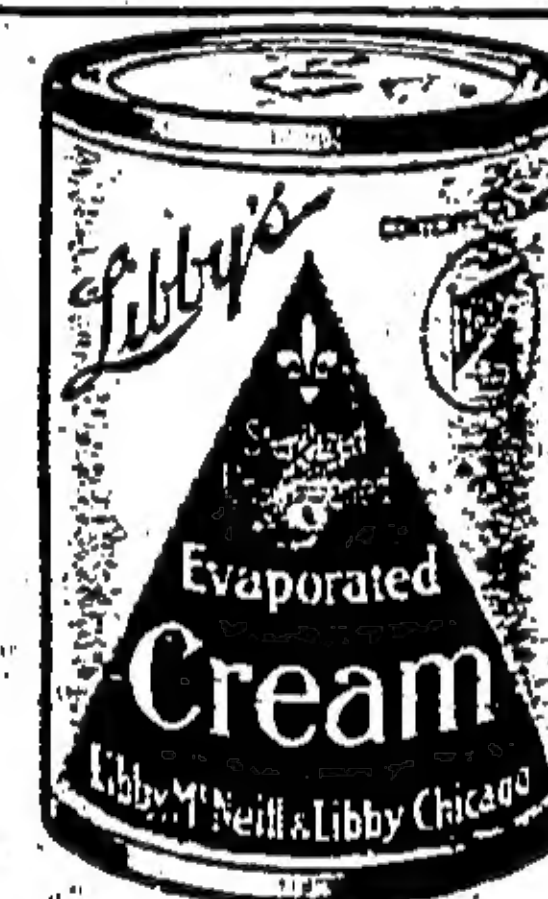
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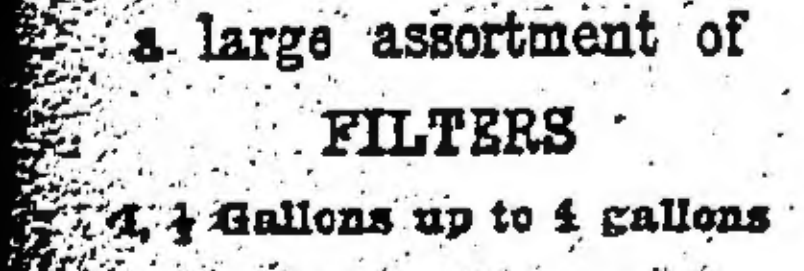
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A LIBEL ACTION.

IS IT LIBELLOUS TO CALL A
MAN A PROFESSIONAL
ENTERTAINER?

THE POINT DECIDED.

Before Judge-Skinner Turner in H. M. Supreme Court Mr. E. A. Dearnie sued Capt. Davies for alleged libel. Mr. J. H. Teesdale appeared for plaintiff and Mr. Reader Harris for defendant.

Plaintiff's claim was as follows:—
(1) Plaintiff is a salesman in the employ of Brewer and Co., Ltd., 31 Nanking Road, Shanghai, bookellers and stationers. The defendant is the managing director or proprietor of the business known as the Cafe Parisien, 25 Avenue Edward VII, Shanghai.

(2) The defendant, on or about the 23rd of May, 1920, falsely and maliciously caused to be printed and published in a daily newspaper published in Shanghai called the China Press of the plaintiff an advertisement in the words following: "Empire Day at the Cafe Parisien. A special dinner will be served. Miss Butterick, Mr. Plan nigan and Mr. Dearnie will entertain during the evening."

(3) The plaintiff never agreed with the defendant to entertain at the said Cafe Parisien on the said day or at all. He is not a professional performer and has in consequence suffered much annoyance and has been injured in his credit and good name and social position and has incurred public odium, ridicule, and contempt.

(4) Plaintiff claims Ts. 1,500 damages.

The statement of defence was:—
(1) In reply to paragraph 1 of the statement of claim the defendant admits that plaintiff is a salesman in the employ of Brewer and Co., Ltd., but states that he (the defendant) is the proprietor of the Wooming Ports Hotel and is no longer connected with the Cafe Parisien.

(2) The defendant admits the publication alleged in paragraph 2 of the statement of claim.

(3) The words set out in paragraph 2 of the statement of claim are no libel.

(4) Defendant will object that the words complained of are libellous in themselves and that no circumstances are alleged showing them to have been used in any defamatory sense and that they are insufficient in law to sustain the action.

Mr. Reader Harris said by consent of plaintiff the action was set down by defendant on a point of law.

His Lordship—I have no knowledge of consent.

Mr. Reader Harris—I am sorry, it was not sent in in time.

Mr. Reader Harris submitted the words complained of were in no way libellous or defamatory. How they could be described as such was absolutely beyond his comprehension. Counsel then quoted authorities on libel. Even supposing there was any suggestion that plaintiff was a professional entertainer there was nothing defamatory in that. It would be an extraordinary thing if any court would hold that such interpretation meant the individual would be consequently held up to ridicule and contempt. It would be a terrible aspersion on actors and professional entertainers, on whom no such sort of aspersion had ever before been cast. The action was wrongly conceived. No kind of special damages was alleged, and His Lordship must be satisfied the words were capable of a defamatory meaning. If his contention were correct a jury would be summoned for no purpose and time and money wasted. He quite understood that to call a man an infernal villain would be libellous, but the point in this case was were these words of a defamatory meaning? He asked that the action be dismissed.

Mr. Teesdale replied and said the Courts had given a very wide definition indeed of this law. It was libellous to print good natured chaff made in an after-dinner speech although that chaff might be pardonable in the speaker's mouth, and another case dealt with the printing of the names of certain artists in smaller print than others figuring on the same programme. Those and other cases showed how far the Courts had gone to protect a man from being held up to ridicule and contempt. Plaintiff was well known in Shanghai as an amateur performer at private entertainments, Defendant whom he knew very slightly inserted this advertisement without obtaining his consent. Plaintiff wrote asking him to insert an apology but defendant was not ready to make the amendment.

Mr. Reader Harris—We apologised and did all we could to stop further publication.

Mr. Teesdale added that some people welcomed publicity, others had strong objections to it. In this case plaintiff naturally would feel extremely annoyed at an announcement giving the impression that he had forsaken his amateur status and turned professional.

His Lordship—Would it be harmful to be associated with Mr. Sims Reeves at a concert?

Mr. Teesdale submitted that as a professional plaintiff would be on a very different footing socially. As an amateur he went to entertainments on terms of social equality; as a professional he did not think he was exaggerating in saying a man who went to such entertainments went figuratively through the back door. He was not in any sense on a social equality with those who listened to the performance. Some years

ago there was a great controversy about professional and amateur cricketers at home.

His Lordship—Whether they should come out of the same pavilion at Lords?

Mr. Teesdale—Yes. If a player supposed to be an amateur was found to be taking money from his county he would be socially ostracised.

His Lordship—I do not know that I follow you. Is there any harm in F. S. Jackson walking out of the professional entrance and it being stated he would do so in future?

Mr. Teesdale—I believe amateurs dine by themselves when touring. He would lose the society of his friends. Plaintiff had to rehabilitate himself with his friends. He does not ask for heavy damages.

His Lordship—Do you suggest the words mean he is a professional entertainer?

Mr. Teesdale—Yes.

His Lordship—I am not sure you can read into the words that he is entertaining for a fee.

Mr. Teesdale—There is no question that he has been questioned as to what it meant and why he was forsaking his amateur status.

Mr. Reader Harris replied shortly.

His Lordship, in giving judgment, said the words admittedly published by defendant were that a dinner would be served at the Cafe Parisien and that three people, of whom plaintiff was one, would entertain. He must take it Mr. Dearnie was not to entertain therefore the words were not correct. Whether they had a libellous meaning or not was for the Court to decide and if they were not it would be the Courts duty to withdraw the case from a jury. It was not suggested that plaintiff is a professional entertainer. That was quite clear. The words in order to be libellous must injure a man's reputation. They must do that. Now here the only meaning sought to be fixed on the words was that plaintiff could not see how the words came within any definition of libel at all, nor how they could bring him into contempt. In these circumstances it would be his duty to withdraw the case if it were before a jury. The only course therefore for him to adopt was to follow that duty now and say this was not a libel. He must give judgment for defendant with costs.

The Court then rose.

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TUESDAY,
July 27, 1920, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road, Corner of Ice House Street,
A Small Consignment of
WHITE GOODS, &c., &c.
Comprising—

Pillow Cases, White Satin Quilts, Turkish Towels, Bath Towels, Bath Sheets, Double Bed Sheets, Battenberg and Drawwork Bedspreads, Table Covers, Crochet and Drawwork Dollies, Table Cloths, Linen Damask Serviettes.

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INTIMATIONS.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF ONE DOLLAR per Share for the six months ending 30th June, 1920, will be PAYABLE on TUESDAY, August 10th, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, August 3rd to TUESDAY, August 10th, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, July 17, 1920.

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL
ESTATE, LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF Four Dollars per Share for the six months ending 30th June, 1920, will be payable on WEDNESDAY, 28th July, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 20th to WEDNESDAY, the 28th July (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary to
The General Managers.
Hongkong, July 13, 1920.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF Three Dollars and Fifty cents per Share for the six months ending 30th June, 1920, will be payable on WEDNESDAY, 28th July, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 20th to WEDNESDAY, the 28th July (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
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Hongkong, July 13, 1920.

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AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF One Dollar and seventy five cents per share for the six months ending 30th June, 1920, will be payable on WEDNESDAY, 28th July, on which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Office.

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By Order of the Board of Directors.
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary to
The Hong Kong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.
General Agents for
The West Point Building Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, July 13, 1920.

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

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Hongkong, July 21, 1920.

NOTICE.

THE interest and responsibility of MR. HERBERT WILLIAM LOOKER, in our Firm ceased on the 30th June 1920.

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Hongkong, July 1, 1920.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that our Salesman KWOK TAI CHUN is no longer connected with our firm from to-day. Henceforth all business dealings will be attended to by our Manager MR. CHAN SHU KAI dated 17th day of July, 1920.

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THE GRAVES IN FRANCE.

A TOUCHING INCIDENT.

In the course of the debate in the House of Commons on an amendment to allow the relatives of those who had fallen at the front to put up their own monuments, instead of every grave having a similar headstone, Mr. J. H. Thomas, the Labour leader, related a pathetic incident. He said that they had no right in that House to ignore not only the wishes of those who had lost loved ones, but they had no right to disregard the people who had made the greatest of all sacrifices. He refused to believe that the officers who had died would have desired any different treatment than to lie side by side with those who had made equal sacrifice with themselves. Continuing he said—

"I visited France many times soon after the death of that brilliant young man, the son of my right hon. friend (Mr. Asquith). He was to have been a colleague of mine in the contest at Derby. By the fortune of war I myself visited his grave. Near it was the grave of his cousin, young Tennant. As I stood by that grave I thought: Here between them was a humble soldier, and I thought of the equality that was responsible for that circumstance. I thought of the circumstances that brought a statesman's son and a peer's son and a humble British soldier all together, all with a similar tombstone, all indicated in the same way, and I was so struck with it that I put the name of the private soldier—it was Simons—in my notebook, and I brought home from that grave a leaf from a humble flower. When I went to Derby I told my constituents of this incident, and it was reported in the Press. A few days later I received from Leicester a letter, something like this—"I lost my only boy in the war. I am blind, and his mother is deaf. I was told by some that he is buried near Raymond Asquith, and I wondered whether you could tell me that the grave was well kept." I looked into my notebook, and I found that the name of that lad was the name I had put down there. I wrote back to his father, and said that not only could I tell him that the grave was well kept, but that I had picked a leaf from the grave, and I sent it to him. I leave members to guess the reply I received. (Cheers.) You may call it sentiment if you like; but it is a beautiful sentiment."

No praise, he continued, could be too high for the way in which the Graves Commission had performed their duty. His hon. and noble friend had said that he was in favour of a limitation in the cost of the graves.

Had there been any limitation in the sacrifice that these men had made? The House had no right to give any ground for the suspicion that the poor were being deprived of the opportunity of honouring their sons which the rich people had. It would be a mistake for the House to divide on this question. (Cheers.) These men died fighting in the common cause, and they were buried as they desired. (Cheers.)

Mr. Asquith, who had shown signs of emotion during Mr. Thomas's speech, warmly shook hands with him on leaving the House immediately afterwards.

The amendment was withdrawn in deference to the opposition shown in the House to any distinction being made between the various graves in France or Belgium.

PETTICOAT GOVERNMENT.

WILL WE HAVE FEMALE ADMIRALS?

When the question of appointing ladies on the committee of the training ship "Exmouth" was considered at a meeting of the Metropolitan Asylums Board, Mr. E. C. Ercroft, a member of the board, strongly opposed the suggestion.

"I consider," he said, "that to put these boys under petticoat government is a shame. If this line is pursued we shall soon see female admirals and female lieutenants. Putting boys under a lot of old women, indeed! (Laughter.) Whatever we are coming to, I must admit that, many men I have met on public boards are little better than old women. Why, it will do boys a lot of harm in their after-life. (Laughter.)"

"I cannot think," retorted a Labour member, "that when these boys in years to come reach Shanghai, Hongkong, or some other distant port, they will be taunted with the fact that in their youth there was a lady on the large committee which governed their training ships."

Fear was expressed by another member that the feminine instinct would show in the boys' clothing. "Picture a sailor," he exclaimed, "wearing lace and frills! (Laughter.) The psychology of the boy was a most extraordinary thing; his feelings were all on the side of stern discipline. (Cries of "Oh!") Boys didn't like coddling, muffers, and the like. When a boy became a sailor feminine influence was anathema to him."

Miss M. J. Wilde was elected to the committee by the casting vote of the chairman.

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MARRIAGE.

CRIVEN-STOKES.—On the 22nd July, 1920, at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, by the Rev. Reginald Lindsay, M.A., Henry Ernest, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. John Criven of Sheffield, England, to Jessie Frances, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Stokes of Kowloon.

The China Mail.

ROUTE, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JULY 23, 1920.

GUBBERTUSHED FUSTILUGS.

Men that have the temerity to focus attention on the bigger abstractions, unaware of the futility of it, are minded to scorn them that go, looking for gasped, eyeing the tremendous trifles of life, and getting more real interest out of the length of a house's leg than the others from mirky ideas like metaphysics, marriage, matter, mystery. Cosmos is no thing to laugh at, but its dumbebble may be. Do I contradict myself? I say Walt Whitman. "Very well then. I contradict myself." The type-scraping gubbertushed fustilugs cannot savour this clean-cut appreciation of the near and the real, and would have us continually sending doves from the ark of the soul to find nonexistent continents of knowledge. Mr. A. W. B. Hamilton, a Penang magistrate, has recently published a collection of his writings that has clarified our understanding and made straight our vision, for we know well the life of which he treats, and are able with a clear conscience and sure conviction to affirm that he is not one of the gubbertushed fustilugs of whom Burton in his "Anatomy of Melancholy" has said. Mr. Hamilton in his introduction quotes Roget of the famous "Thesaurus" to this effect: "By a confused jargon of involved and mystical sentences the imagination is easily inveigled into a transcendental region of clouds, and the understanding beguiled into the belief that it is acquiring knowledge and approaching truth." In the section entitled "Home Truths," the author's method of approaching truth and capturing it by flank attack is, undoubtedly the best, although he did not always think when the *Straits Echo* was doing

was a beautiful house. Life is full of surprises like that. There is a good-looking man here, whose face we thought we knew quite well; but to-day we suddenly saw him looking out of the windows of his eyes, and we knew then that we had never seen him before. An ugly man, who should keep the blinds down. An evil man, lurking inside a beautiful body. A dangerous man. What brought him to the windows, this man who has reason to hide? It was the noise of a quarrel.

A Hongkong shipping company runs two steamers, one manned with British officers, one with Chinese. The story has been unfolded in the *China Mail*, and need not be repeated. A river skipper wants the Adversaria to object. On what grounds, said Adversaria. Well, for one thing, it is an encouragement of piracy, and for another they work for lower wages. How would you like it if a Chinese came along to write Adversaria for less than half your wage? I don't know, said Adversaria. But I know what I would do. What? I should go and try to earn a honest living.

The most interesting passage in the journal of the late Mr. Barbellion is that on his discovery of Marie Bashkirtseff. He was astounded. He had thought himself, as many less brainy men have done, *sui generis*, unique, peculiar, exceptional, abnormal, original, a non-such. To find a woman journalising feelings that he felt, writing down all his own thoughts and feelings, and giving him a shock. To think I am only a replica, how humiliating for a human being to find himself merely a duplicate of another. Is there anything in the transmigration of souls? She died in 1886. I was born in 1889. It is a humiliating discovery, while it is a fresh discovery. The humiliation is wholesome. In all of us there is some of the bad of the worst of men, and some of the good of the best. We are all-nigh of a muckness, and the delusion of callow youth or chronic egotism that it is "different" is a thing to be outgrown.

It is amusing to reflect how an egotist hates egotism. In others. Even the praise of another may irritate, because the act of praising implies ability to estimate, to judge. It is like the obscure man who cries "Hear, hear" in a meeting addressed by a great orator. He is asserting himself. Behold me. I am able to appreciate this eloquence, these truths, this knowledge. I commend it to you. But for me you would probably overlook it.

At a Hongkong dinner party the other night the lady gave us junket, and we talked of Devonshire and its dishes. We might just as fairly have talked of Italy, for the word junket comes from *giuncata* (cured cream cheese) which the Italians so name because it is usually carried on *giuncos*, bullrushes or baskets or platters made thereof. The word junketting as applied to parties of pleasure perhaps derives from the basket so necessary at a picnic. In some parts of England a basket is still called a junket, the name coming probably from the Latin talking priests. Junket is the Latin for reads or rushes.

A great masterpiece of a picture hangs upon the parlour wall of God, says Huck. It is entitled The Truth about Life, and all over it grows a filigree of cobwebs, spun by those little spiders you call journalists.

Though it may be perfectly true that the most ignorant of men may have a soul to be saved, there is no excuse for garrulity in print. We may be willing to love him as a fellow victim of life's irony without being willing to read him. One of the most remarkable things we noticed in the great western desert of Australia was this, that in the midst of the most barren plain, inhabited only by lizards and spiders, we would find a beautiful little flower blooming all alone. It came as a shock, rather like an intelligent remark at a Hongkong bar, or like a sound walnut in the pound we buy from our comrade. So with Rosemary and Rue by "Tony," who began his literary career by joshing our own inspired Works, and now consends to the flattery of imitation. Rather conscious of our generosity, we confess that his paragraphs remind us of those flowers in the desert.

"Tony" writes "LIFE AFTER DEATH" of the flowers that sprang up in the shell-shattered soil of Flanders. He does not mention, what is of special scientific interest, that species previously unknown, familiar there sprang up, the seeds having lain dormant for generations. He draws from the miracle

the moral that "life cannot die." That is true. It is, however, a concept utterly unrelated to that of his headline, "Life after death." When men speak of immortality, they mean the deathlessness of the individual ego, which is a pure assumption, and disproved as far as a negative can be. Matter is imperishable and energy continues, but the change which we call death requires the eternal existence of the individual memory, and our memory begins to die as our body decays. When a man says "my memory is going" he says in effect "I am dying." We are all dying, although, like a certain witty monarch, we are an unconscionable time about it. There are a few of us in Hongkong who are never so cheerful as when we get together to talk about our own approaching deaths. If "Tony" is a little more than an echo of his recent reading, and cares to communicate, we might include him in our symposium, providing that he is not under forty, and that he is acquainted with the uses of the toothbrush.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

An unknown Chinese was found dead hanging from a beam in a public latrine in Jordan Road yesterday morning.

Dr. G. W. McKean and Mr. C. Humphreys were passengers on the s.s. "China," which sailed for San Francisco, yesterday.

The case against the Chinese youth, who was charged with obtaining \$655 by false pretences, promising to provide nine persons with passports to Peru and failing to do so, has been withdrawn.

A recent raid by the police at West Point resulted in the seizure of several morphia syringes. Two men who were said to have been caught in the act of injecting morphia into the hands of other Chinese present were arrested.

Messrs. Loxley & Co., summoned a Chinese at the Magistracy, yesterday, for selling soap, to which their "Star" trademark, or one resembling it, had been applied. Mr. H. L. Denny prosecuted and Mr. Leo Longinotto, defended. The case was remanded for Thursday next, defendant electing to be tried by the Supreme Court. A quantity of the soap has been seized by the Police.

SCOTTISH UNION AND NATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

Messrs. Arnold Bros. have forwarded the report of the Directors of the Scottish Union and National Insurance Company, together with an account of the annual meeting held at Edinburgh on May 5. The chair at the meeting was taken by Mr. J. J. Davidson, who, in the course of his speech said: "I come now to deal with the quintessential figures as they more particularly affect the Life Policyholders, and there are four factors adverse to the interests of the Policyholders to which I would specially draw attention; and I would point out further that all these are directly the result of the War. I have already referred to the reduced values of investments, and you will observe that from the Life Assurance Fund we have had to write off £271,000 in addition to £412,000 which had to be written off in 1915. The second is the War Claims due to Policyholders killed in action or dying as the result of wounds. These total £156,000. The third is the increased taxation which has had to be met. This represents above what would have had to be met if the Income Tax had remained at its pre-war rate a sum of no less than £221,000. And the fourth is the increased value of the rupee. At our Indian Branch we issue Policies payable both as to Premiums and Sums Assured in rupee currency. Premiums in the past have been remitted home and invested in sterling. The rupee then was on the basis of 1s. 4d. The Sums Assured when payable have now to be settled on the basis of the new value of the rupee, which probably for many years will not be less than 2s., or an increased liability of 50 per cent. To meet this unexpected contingency it has been deemed wise to set up in our Board of Trade Returns an additional liability of £150,000.

According to the report the total assets of the Company on December 31, 1919, after writing off £675,000, amounted to £11,948,162.6.1. The Directors recommended the payment of a dividend of 6s. on the "A" shares, and of 22/6 on the "B" shares, absorbing, after deduction of Income Tax, £63,000 the sum of £186,312.13.2.

TELEGRAMS TO NORTH CHINA.

An express issued by the Eastern Extension Australasia and China Telegraph Co., Ltd. states that communication by landline to Chefoo and Tientsin has been restored, but traffic is heavily delayed.

MONSOON MISHAP.

ARABIAN SEA TRAGEDY.

LADY KILLED ON P. & O. STEAMER.

A very sad mishap occurred on board the P. & O. s.s. "China" in the Arabian Sea on June 23rd, when the vessel was two days out of Bombay on her way from London to Australia. An old Swiss lady who was a second saloon passenger was killed under tragic circumstances. After leaving Aden, the "China" met the brunt of the S.W. monsoon and rolled heavily the whole way to Bombay. One of the passengers, who was an eyewitness of what occurred, gave the following account of the mishap:—

"It was about six o'clock in the evening when the ship gave a sudden lurch, bigger than any previous one and suddenly I found myself being thrown out of my deck-chair, backwards, along with those near me. The deck sloped like the roof of a house, the angle from the perpendicular made by the masts being about 30 degrees. The vessel presently righted herself, only to roll over just as much to the other side. We were being thrown about in a struggling mass right from one side of the deck to the other. I heard a warning shout behind me, and on looking round observed that one of the sand boxes had broken away from its fastenings, and was sliding along the deck. It set two other sand boxes in motion, and one of these crashed into the iron railings on the starboard side with such force as to tear a gap in the rails large enough for three men to walk through abreast. The vessel next lurched over to port, and the endmost box on that side, full of sand, weighing nearly two tons crashed into an old Swiss lady, crushing her up against the rails and killing her almost instantaneously. As well as we could, we helped the other ladies to get down to the lower deck, and they slung a rope to the box for the purpose of lashing the wreckage off. With the aid of some of the members of the crew, we got the box off, and the old lady was removed from underneath. The captain had been summoned and the ship's surgeon also arrived on the scene in a few minutes' time, and on examination he pronounced life extinct. The body was placed on a stretcher and carried to the ship's hospital and was buried at sea the following morning, a British clergyman who was travelling as a second-saloon passenger to Bombay officiating.

Besides this sad death, the sliding boxes were the cause of serious injury to a man travelling to Shanghai to join the Customs service, his legs being badly hurt. A lady hurt both her arms, and nearly everyone of that part of the hurricane deck was more or less badly bruised. An enquiry was held the next day (June 24th), several eyewitnesses of the accident giving evidence.

A particularly sad part of the affair was that the old lady was going to stay with a daughter in Australia, who had written for her to go out there.

The informant adds that the sea did not abate the least until the next day. During the night a large quantity of glassware and some 400 plates were broken, whilst one of the stewards in trying to save a crate of dishes was seriously injured internally.

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PARADE—BATHING.

Launch will leave Blake Pier on Wednesday, 28th instant, at 5.15 p.m. and call at Kowloon ten minutes later.

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CITY FIRE.

GROUND FLOOR ABLAZE.

PAPER STOCKS DESTROYED.

A fire broke out on the ground floor of No. 118 Queen's Road West last night, in premises occupied by the Ping Tung Paper firm. The origin of the fire, which was first discovered in the cockpit about 12:07 p.m., is not known.

In spite of the fact that the alarm was given early, a large stock of paper was well alight before the Fire Brigade arrived. It was found to be impossible to save the floor, and attention was directed to the other floors from which the flames were successfully kept away. The blaze lasted for nearly half an hour, and the whole ground floor was gutted.

Damage to paper and other property is estimated at \$1,000. It is understood that the stock is insured with the South British Insurance Company for the sum of \$4,000.

OUR BOY HAWKERS.

"CHINA MAIL" IN COURT.

EUROPEAN PAYS FINE: BOY GETS LICENCE.

Yesterday we had a note in "Adversaria" about a little Chinese boy who bought twenty cents worth of peanuts and peddled them to help the family finances, his mother and himself being debarred from their usual job by the typhoon weather. The boy was arrested as an unlicensed hawk, and fined \$2 or three days hard labour.

To-day a policeman showed this cutting to the magistrate, who, the reporter says, "just smiled." The policeman also mentioned that a European gentleman had sent in three dollars, two to pay the fine, and one to be given as a solatium to the boy.

Justice was as just as it could be. As the boy had already been incarcerated for the best part of two days, it decided that he had worked off part of the fine, and need only pay seventy cents. This left him \$2.30, enough to buy him a licence and to leave him a few cents over for capital. He was given a licence.

This is very pleasant reading so far as it goes, but we hope that these iniquitous fines are not going to go on just because we have a kind-hearted and decent Englishman who can be moved to pay them. It is clear that no one could afford to go on paying them all.

Let us have that Juvenile Court, with Chinese Justices sitting on the bench thereof, and an end of this callous business of turning good little boys into criminals.

It may be that the Governor does not read the *China Mail* regularly. Will somebody with a heart who has access to him give him a précis of all that has led up to this story, and suggest to him that having power to do good by a word he ought to speak it?

A good magistrate with a backbone would not wait for it. He would say: "The law be blown. I am not going to fine these kids."

CORRESPONDENCE.

OUR HARBOUR TO BE EXAMINED.

[To the Editor of the *China Mail*.]

Sir,—I am directed to inform you that arrangements have been made for Sir Maurice Fitzmaurice, C.M.G., partner in the firm of Messrs. Coode, Matthews, Fitzmaurice and Wilson, Consulting Engineers for Harbours, to visit the Colony towards the end of the year for the purpose of advising as to the steps necessary for the improvement and development of the harbour.—I am, Sir, your obedient servant.

A. G. M. FLETCHER, Colonial Secretary, Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, July 22, 1920.

WHAT IS THE CANTON GOVERNMENT.

[To the Editor of the *China Mail*.]

Sir,—In the report published by you yesterday, about the brush between the Portuguese cruiser "Patria" and the Chinese (Rebel?) cruiser "Kwong Tai," it was stated that the Portuguese Government acted on the instructions of the Chinese Government. What are we to understand by the Chinese Government? If it means the Canton Government, can we properly call it the Chinese Government, observing that it is in rebellion against the Northern Central and the only recognized Government of China? If the Canton Government is also recognized, then the foreign nations are admitting that China is already divided into two separate countries, and Tukuan Mok, ought to be called President, King, Emperor or something of the sort. If the report is a true one, I think that what the Portuguese Government ought to have done was to order all the Chinese men-of-war to leave Portuguese waters within a certain time, failing which the boats should be interned. The present quarrel in the South is nothing more than a faction of rebels fighting against another faction. It is better for bystanders not to interfere, and wait and see which side has the best of the fight.—Yours, etc., JOHN KESTREL.

DISABLED IN A TYPHOON.

STEAMER TOWED INTO HONGKONG.

With her funnel, bridge, and boats swept away, and her engines damaged, the Japanese steamer "Kenkon Maru," which encountered violent weather while on a voyage from Kurausu, to Singapore with a cargo of 4,000 tons of coal, was towed into port yesterday from Saunkun Bay by the tug "Yao Ying Wa," of Macao. "Carmichael" and "Clarke's" agency.

CANTON GUNBOATS.

FIGHT WITH PORTUGUESE GUARD.

EXCITING INCIDENTS.

The latest information to hand concerning the scrap at Macao on Saturday between the Portuguese cruiser "Patria" and the Chinese gunboat "Kwongtai," which resulted in severe damage to the "Kwongtai," is that on the return to Barra of the "Patria" followed by the "Kwongtai" towed by a tug, the authorities were informed that the rebels had abandoned ship off Colowan taking with them all their fire arms and ammunition.

About ten minutes later, the Portuguese gunboat "Macao" steamed out of port and made for Colowan where she landed a strong force of Portuguese and African troops. At first the search for the fugitives met with no success, but as the scouts neared the Portuguese garrison station at Kao-O, their attention was attracted by the firing of rifles. Convinced that a scrap was in progress between the Portuguese guards and the rebels, and knowing that their comrades were outnumbered by about five to one, the troops advanced swiftly on Kao-O, arriving just in time to cut off the rebels' retreat. Although now outnumbered, the rebels refused to surrender, and made a desperate attempt to break through. Their action forced the Portuguese to open fire, with the result that eleven were killed and wounded. The rebels then realized the futility of resistance and threw down their arms in surrender. They were rounded up and marched into Macao, where they are now interned pending instructions from the Chinese authorities. The rebel casualties numbered twenty-three, eleven in the Kao-O scrap, and twelve in the encounter between the "Patria" and the "Kwongtai." The Portuguese side suffered no casualties.

It is understood that the Portuguese authorities have since communicated with the Chinese authorities asking for instructions regarding the captives. The Portuguese regret having caused such heavy casualties, but assert that they had no option owing to the rebels, opening fire on the guards at Kao-O when challenged. The Chinese torpedo-boat "Lui-chuan," which took no part in the affair, is now interned in the Government dockyard at Barra, while the "Kwongtai" has been beached on Praya at Taipa.

One report had it that it was not the "Patria" but one of the Chinese cruisers sent out by the Chinese authorities at Canton to chase the fugitives which disabled the "Kwongtai," meeting and engaging her outside Macao, near Tai-O. Reliable reports from Macao, however, make no mention of this.

It is now learned that the Chinese gunboat which went aground at Pillar Point, near Castle Peak, in British waters, in the course of a scrap, was the "Kwongku" the remaining one of the two Chinese gunboats which escaped from Canton with the object of joining the rebels. It seems that the vessel was deliberately grounded in order that her crew might escape capture, a belief which is supported by the fact that all hands abandoned the ship as soon as she was beached, and made off to the mountains. Beyond the despatch of a tug to pull the "Kwongku" off the beach, the local Naval authorities have taken no action. No steps seem to have been taken locally to effect the capture of the rebels who, it seems, will not be able to hold out long without provisions in a barren district.

It is reported that the Canton Government has requested the Portuguese authorities to hand over the rebel vessels. It is also stated that sailors have been sent from Canton to take back the stranded "Kwongku."

KONGMOON QUIET.

Reports from Kongmoon say that everything is now quiet there. During the last few days that city had a great deal of possible conflict to take place soon, but no serious trouble had happened. The Militia of that city, composed of local businessmen, was called out the last few days to safeguard the city against any possible attack from bandits or revolutionists. The citizens and soldiers did well and have given the community satisfactory service, reports the *Canton Times*.

SINGAPORE LIBEL ACTION.

CHARGES OF PROFITEERING.

In the action for libel brought by the Singapore Cold Storage Company against the *Straits Times*, which made allegations of profiteering against the company, Mr. Gaunt on behalf of the *Straits Times* made application to the court, on July 13 for a commission to Australia to take evidence in the case.

A commission was granted, and the hearing of the case will consequently be delayed until the return of the commission, which will probably be in about two months' time.

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THE CHARGES.

The charges as read out to her were as follows:—(1) that you, on or about July 9, 1920, at Singapore threatened Mrs. Rodney Murray Campbell with injury to the person of her son John David Campbell with intent to cause alarm to the said Mrs. Rodney Murray Campbell and that you thereby committed an offence punishable under Section 506 of the Penal Code. (2) that you, on or about July 9, 1920 at Singapore threatened John George Campbell, advocate and solicitor with injury to the person of his son, John David Campbell with intent to cause the said John George Campbell to omit to do an act, to wit to act as an Advocate and Solicitor for your husband Charles J. Kirkpatrick in questions between you and him relating to your children which he, the said John George Campbell, was legally entitled to do and that you thereby committed an offence punishable under Section 506 of the Penal Code. (3) that you, on or about July 9, 1920 at Singapore threatened John George Campbell with injury to the person of his son, John David Campbell with intent to cause him to do an act, to wit to act as an Advocate and Solicitor for your husband Charles J. Kirkpatrick in questions between you and him relating to your children which he, the said John George Campbell, was legally entitled to do and that you thereby committed an offence punishable under Section 506 of the Penal Code.

Mr. G. G. Seth, the D.P.P., appeared for the prosecution, which was defended by Mr. H. D. Mundell.

THE PROSECUTION.

Opening the case for the prosecution, Mr. Seth said that Mr. Campbell was an advocate and solicitor of the Supreme Court of the Straits Settlements and in his capacity as such had been consulted by one C. J. Kirkpatrick regarding the latter's differences with his wife and the custody of the children. Subsequent to correspondence having passed between the solicitors of the respective parties regarding the matter Mrs. Kirkpatrick sent, what counsel characterised as a most improper and insolent letter to Mr. Campbell offering him a bribe to induce him to neglect to do his duty as a solicitor towards his own client. At 9.45 p.m. on the 9th inst., the telephone bell rang at Mr. Campbell's private address. Mr. Campbell went to the phone and he heard a voice which struck him as a female one asking for Mrs. Campbell, who then attended to the telephone and received the threatening message referred to above. It was not at all, "injury" counsel went on to quote, "was any harm whatever illegally caused to any person as to his body, mind, reputation, or property." In this case he contended that it was an injury both to the mind and reputation, to the mind of Mr. and Mrs. Campbell by causing an alarm regarding the safety of their child, and to Mr. Campbell for damaging his reputation by asking him to refrain from doing duty as a solicitor for the consideration of an illegal gratification.

Mrs. Rodney Murray Campbell, the first witness, after being sworn

in the Scottish-fashion said she lived at Raffles Hotel with her husband. They had a child John David, aged one year and nine months. When she was in her room with her husband at about 9.45 p.m. on July 9, she heard the telephone bell ring. Her husband went to answer and then beckoned to her to attend to phone. The voice first asked "Are you Mrs. Campbell?" and then went on to say "If your husband insists on hounding my children out of their home, I will hound yours out of yours" Mrs. Campbell replied "I am afraid I don't know what you are talking about" but the telephone was rung off. She repeated the words to her husband, who asked her to write them down in a pocket book. Her husband tried to get at the speaker on the other side but could not. As a result of the conversation which she had with her husband she thought it must have been Mrs. Kirkpatrick, who had spoken over the phone. Consequently she thought Mrs. Kirkpatrick would harm her child and did not allow him to go out. He went out once since the incident in company with an amah and a detective.

Mr. Davies, a solicitor working with Mr. Campbell in the latter's office, said that he subsequently acted in negotiations with regard to the interests of Kirkpatrick's children and put in certain correspondence which had passed through the lawyers in connection therewith.

Mr. J. G. Campbell, advocate and solicitor said he was appearing on behalf of Mr. Kirkpatrick for some time in respect of legal actions between the latter and his wife. On July 9 last, he received a letter from Mr. Kirkpatrick saying "I will give you \$500 to get their (young Kirkpatrick's) father to leave us alone, and \$500 for six months, while he is out of Singapore." He deemed that as an offer made to him personally to refrain from continuing to act for Mr. Kirkpatrick, and to advise him to leave the Colony.

Cross-examined by Mr. Mundell witness stated that he knew Mr. Kirkpatrick was convicted and bound over to keep the peace for six months about the end of 1918. In spite of that he believed in Mr. Kirkpatrick and did not think him to be a bad man. The fact that Kirkpatrick was convicted did not induce him to advise his client to take proceedings against Mrs. Kirkpatrick.

Mr. Mundell to witness:—I suggest that my client meant in her letter that she would pay \$500 when Kirkpatrick left and \$500 for six months more all towards bringing up the children.

Mr. Campbell:—The idea never occurred to me. (In answer to another question) At the time I received the letter making the overture, I did not know that Mr. Evans, who was acting for her, had ceased to do so.

THE DEFENCE. Barbara Kirkpatrick, the wife of Mr. C. J. Kirkpatrick went into the box and said that she was married in Australia, and soon after her marriage when her money was exhausted, her husband began to ill-treat her. He failed to provide for her and for her children while in Australia. Neighbours gave them food while they were locked up. She got a maintenance order against him in Australia. Then she went to British North Borneo with her husband, who deserted her and came to Singapore. She also managed to come to this place but her husband did not provide for her. Since Feb. 1918, they had not been living in the same house. She prosecuted him in Nov. 1918 for causing her hurt and had him bound over to keep the peace in one surety of \$400. Mr. Campbell acted for her husband in that prosecution and in the course of his cross-examination made certain suggestions as to her character. That was in consequence of the accusation made by her husband of her immorality.

She sued her husband for maintenance in Feb. or March 1918 but he did not contribute regularly towards the maintenance of the children. She later started a boarding house. Her children had been living with her for one year.

She was very much annoyed over the negotiations that were pending between the solicitors in connection with the custody of the children. She could not bear being separated from her children and did not agree to their being taken away to

MOTOR BOAT REPAIRS.

SEQUEL IN SUMMARY COURT.

Before Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, the Puisse Judge, in the Summary Court yesterday, Yiu Min, trading as the Yee Lee Firm, brass finers, of Wanchai, sued Kam Yau, trader of 95, Praya East, for \$102.37, claimed for work done and material supplied.

Mr. Leo d'Almeida appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. D. H. Blake for the defendant.

Plaintiff claimed that defendant and a man named Cheung Chuen, employed by a King, went to him and instructed him to repair Walls Walla No. 1. He debited each of them with the amount ordered by him. He asked defendant several times for payment, but the latter always said his principal had not yet given him the money.

Mr. Blake said Walls Walla No. 1 was owned by a man named Nagel, who made a contract with one Leung Shing to have certain work done. Leung Shing made a subcontract with plaintiff to help him do part or all of the work. Kam Yau, being No. 1 boy of Mr. Nagel, was there purely to superintend the work on behalf of Mr. Nagel, owner of the boat.

Plaintiff said he did not know Mr. Nagel in the matter at all. The work was ordered by Kam Yau.

Mr. Blake: You did not sue Kam Yau a long time ago because you were looking to Leung Shing for the money and now Leung Shing has absconded.

Mr. Blake submitted that plaintiff knew that Kam Yau was merely the No. 1 of the owner of the boat. There was no doubt that a No. 1 had no right to ask for repairs to the boat. He went down to supervise and undoubtedly gave instructions as to how things were to be done. Sometimes Leung Shing was there, and Mr. Nagel himself went down.

Defendant, Leung Kam Yau, described himself as Captain and Chief Engineer of the Walls Walla motor boat. His impression had been that Leung Shing was carrying out all the work. He admitted that plaintiff pressed him for payment. He told plaintiff the matter had nothing to do with him.

Lee Orlando Nagel, salesman employed by J. T. Shaw, Tailor, said that about the beginning of 1919 he bought a motor boat called the Tsun Wan, now Walls Walla No. 1. It was simply a wreck, needing a lot of repairs. He entered into a contract with Leung Shing.

The amount of the contract was \$700. The boat was purchased in Causeway Bay and was left there for repair. He sent his boy, Kam Yau, down to see that the work was carried out as per contract. He had no idea whether plaintiff did part of the work. Leung Shing was contractor and witness held him responsible for the whole thing. Leung was paid \$300 down before starting the work at all, and witness paid him \$200 more. When the boat was finished the work was not satisfactory. Under a penalty clause, \$10 a day for exceeding the time, Leung would have received nothing if witness insisted. He did not know how much more he would pay Leung if the latter were here to receive it. Plaintiff had never applied to witness for money.

Judgment was given for plaintiff with costs.

Australia, where she knew from past experience that they would not be well looked after. She was therefore extremely troubled in mind and when she rang up Mrs. Campbell she did not mean to harm whatever to anybody. The words were used in a passion. She only wanted to bring home to the Campbell how they would feel if they were to be deprived of their child. She did not think that Mr. Campbell himself thought in his own mind that she meant to do him any harm.

She was of the opinion that Mrs. Campbell would inquire of her husband what the trouble was after hearing the telephone message and being a mother herself would help her to keep her (witness') own children.

Neither had she any intention of damaging the reputation of Mr. Campbell. She wrote the letter in despair. She would have gladly given \$500 to her husband to get away from the colony. She had no ulterior motive in making Mr. Campbell the offer. She would not mind paying Mr. Campbell the amount stipulated if he himself undertook the custody of the children, only she could not think of being separated from her children.

ACCUSED DISCHARGED. His honour came to the conclusion that no conclusive case had been made out against the accused and discharged her accordingly.

Mr. Seth objected to his Honour coming to a conclusion before having heard him finally and the latter held there was no necessity to do so, the D. P. P. asked that his protest be recorded, which was done.

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Miss Lilian Baylis, lessee and manager of the Old Vic., tells us that the price of hire having risen 300 per cent. in the last two years, the theatre is now trying to buy and make its own wardrobe. A complete wardrobe for 29 Shakespearean plays and 20 operas will cost about £5,000, and towards this only £2,000 is at present in hand.

"I think playgoers hardly realise the expense of getting together, say, a Venetian or Elizabethan wardrobe," she told a Daily News representative. "Plays like the 'Merchant of Venice,' 'Two Gentlemen of Verona,' and 'The Taming of the Shrew' are among the most costly productions from the wardrobe mistress's point of view. The historical plays like the Henrys, the Richards, and 'King John' also entail increased expenditure for the costumes and uniforms. There is a lot of jewellery to be supplied, and when you consider that a £3 pair of stage boots has now risen to about £7, and that velvet has gone up from 7s. 6d. to something like 18s. 6d. a yard you can imagine the extra burden that is put upon a theatre like the Old Vic."

It is difficult to say precisely what Shakespearean character requires the most expensive costume, but when it comes to cheapness or comparative cheapness the Roman citizen is well in the running. A Roman soldier, however, requires expensive armour. A well-dressed Hamlet who follows the Viking touch his clothes will cost him more. Perhaps the cheapest character of all is his father's ghost.

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LION IN A HOTEL.

HEARTLESS MANAGER AND STRANGE PET.

Jim, a full grown, bushy-haired lion of the breed that is often seen stalking majestically across the movie screen in jungle scenes, caused more commotion and excitement recently in the Hotel Belvedere, Seventy-seventh Street and Broadway, where he is sharing a suite of rooms on the first floor with his owner, than that hostelry ever dreamed of experiencing. Jim is the pet of Thomas R. Zann, a retired lumber merchant of Leavenworth, Wash., and both are on their way to Africa.

Jim made his debut in the Belvedere one afternoon a few weeks ago in a large canvas-covered cage through an open window. The management thought the case contained a piano until the following morning, when Mr. Zann called up the clerk and asked that 15 lb. of raw beefsteak, "the best in the house," be sent up immediately.

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MOURNING.

THE INFORMAL TENDENCY OF MODERN CUSTOMS.

The days when the etiquette of mourning was bound by hard and fast rules, and regulations are happily past. Nowadays there is no necessity for anyone to wear heavy black garments for a stereotyped length of time when a friend or relative dies—in fact, very few folk will think them "queer" or "unnatural" if they forswear formal mourning clothes entirely.

CREPE NOT WORN.

The "mourning" which is made to-day is strikingly different from that of half a dozen years or so ago, and far less depressing. The heavy crepe, beloved of the late Victorians has become practically extinct—to such an extent, indeed, that the appearance of one of the old-style dull black crepe widow's veils at the present time is sufficient to attract the curious glances of most passers-by. Widows wear has become a much more simple matter, much less "grief advertising." Frocks are mostly made of softly falling black stuff such as crepe de Chine and cashmere, while the hideous "cap bonnets" of old are very rarely seen. Hats are nearly always worn; possibly with a loose hanging chiffon veil, but often without any veil at all.

Many widows wear a veil only on the day of their husband's funeral, and few continue the custom for longer than a month. It is quite usual for widows to wear black costumes with white or black and white blouses in the early days of mourning, while half-mourning is often adopted much sooner than on the old rule of "full mourning for a year and a day."

BLACK NOT POPULAR.

It is becoming increasingly frequent, by express parental wish, for grown-up daughters not to wear black clothes when the mother or father dies. Also, a West End out-fitter says, many mothers now choose to wear grey and white mourning for a son or daughter rather than black.

The bad old custom of dressing little children in heavy dull black mourning garments is also dying. In some cases kiddies are "put into" white clothes with black ribbons, but in a vast number of cases mourning for children is eschewed entirely—and very wisely.

In other respects there are noticeable changes in the manner of mourning, particularly with regard to social seclusion. One does not expect to see a newly bereaved person juggling madly in a public restaurant, but with discretion and discrimination, the modern manners of mourning are very much what you like to make them.

VANISHED STATE TREASURE.

GERMAN SOLDIERS' £2,400,000 HAUL.

The mystery of the burglaries at the Red Tower in Spandau Citadel, which formerly contained the war reserve for the indemnity paid by France after the Franco-Prussian war, has now been solved by the Berlin Criminal Police.

A year ago it was discovered that a sum of 60,000,000 Rumanian lei (nominally £2,400,000) had been stolen from the famous tower. The notes, which were stored in chests valued at 5,000,000 marks each, had been destined for Mackensen's Army but after the revolution it was arranged to dispatch them to the Rumanian Government. A Berlin newspaper announced that the 60 million lei had been stolen. The report was denied by the authorities, but was later discovered to be true.

The police have now succeeded in tracing the thieves. The money had been removed by soldiers of the Spandau garrison who mourned guard over the treasure. They all admitted having appropriated the money, but said that they had spent it all in the meantime. The Times.

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WHISKY ON THE SLY.

FORGED PERMITS.

£2,000,000 PROFITS IN TWO MONTHS.

The Federal authorities responsible for the enforcement of Prohibition have discovered that 1,200 forged permits to remove whisky from bonded warehouses are in existence in New York City.

Facsimiles of these forgeries are published in the New York World. It is estimated that their perpetrators netted in the last two months a profit of more than £2,000,000. The effect of the forgeries has been to release such quantities of whisky that the price in retail drinking places has been reduced from 3s. to 2s. 6d. for a small glass of whisky and water.

Altogether the State Director of Prohibition issued 11,000 permits for the release for non-beverage purposes of spirituous liquors from bond. The permits are protected by bonds ranging from £200 to £20,000. The latter sum entitles the holder to purchase an unlimited amount for "legitimate" use, such as the manufacture of perfumes, at 26s. a gallon.

Whisky obtained in this fashion or by the use of forged permits is re-tailed at from 40s. to 50s. a quart, and shows a profit by the time it reaches the drinker of 700 to 800 per cent.

£40,000 PROFIT IN TWO WEEKS. One man who sold his permit, legitimately obtained, forfeited the bond on discovery, but was able to console himself by the fact that he had made a profit in two weeks of £40,000.

Of 1,800 cases brought into court against violators of the Prohibition law in New York only 10 so far have resulted in the imposition of real sentences, though numerous fines from £2 to £200 have been inflicted. The State Director of Prohibition confesses to-day that £4,000,000 yearly will be required in New York alone to ensure even the semblance of enforcement. Yet the total amount voted by Congress for enforcement throughout the whole country is only £400,000.

Stories everywhere are current of fortunes made by Prohibition agents who sell the liquor obtained from bonded warehouses and personally supervise and protect its delivery.

COIN-SPOTTERS.

OMNIBUS DRIVER'S EAGLE EYE.

Motor-omnibus drivers have a keen eye for the coins which people drop in London streets.

"Travelling down Holborn in an omnibus," writes a correspondent, "the driver pulled up short as if to avoid a collision. Everyone looked to see what had happened. The driver jumped from his seat, ran back, and picked up half a crown, with a happy grin on his face."

"The conductor announced his intention of claiming 'halves' at the end of the journey."

"In the old horse-omnibus days," he explained, the driver, sitting up aloft, saw many a copper on the road, especially after a shower of rain, and always signalled them to the conductor, who took his half at the end of the day."

ABOUT BABY'S WEIGHT.

Healthy babies should steadily increase in weight. When baby is not doing this there is something wrong, as was the case with the child of Mrs. Lawrence, a Canadian lady living at Collingwood, Ontario.

"My baby has been very delicate ever since she was three weeks old," writes Mrs. Lawrence. "She had indigestion and although she had a ravenous appetite her food did not do her any good and she grew thinner and thinner. She would scream with the pain in her stomach, and as she was also troubled with constipation we were at a loss to do her good, and she is now a feeble child."

Baby's Own Tablets are obtainable from chemists also at 60 cents the box from Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., 90 South Broadway, New York.



THE DOCKYARD TRAGEDY.

BODY NOT YET RECOVERED.

CURIOUS CHINESE STATEMENT.

All efforts to recover the body of Warrant Officer Holmes who was drowned in the dockyard canber on Wednesday night have hitherto proved fruitless. It is not thought that the body has been carried out into harbour as there are naturally no currents in the canber.

It is curious to record that the Chinese employees of the dockyard say that for four successive years there has been a drowning accident at the identical spot where Warrant Officer Holmes met his death on Wednesday night.

NORTHERN TROOPS SURRENDER.

EIGHT TH USAND DISBANDED.

According to the Canton Times about 8,000 Anfu troops under the command of General Chang Tsung-chang retreated into the province of Kiangsi from Hunan after the Northern troops under General Chang Ching-yao had been defeated by the Southern forces. These troops have been disbanded and sent back to their homes by General Chen Kuang-yuan, Tuchun of Kiangsi, according to a telegram dated July 20 from Tuchun Chen Kuang-yuan to the Military Government.

The Northern and Southern fleets of the Chinese Navy have issued separate manifestoes, dated July 20, declaring that they are supporting the Chihli party against the Anfu Club.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

"Nil" says to-day's return of profitable disease.

Mr. Wong Ko Wai, a wealthy overseas merchant from Mexico, was recently murdered by robbers while on his way home from a mart, in Shi Kan Village in Nantoh, Canton.

The P. and O. s.s. "Devanha," will now leave for Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bombay, Port Said, Marseilles, London and Antwerp on Sunday July 25 at noon.

For the unlawful possession of 300 rounds of ammunition, a Chinese who gave the usual excuse of ignorance of local regulations, was this morning fined \$50 by Magistrate Smith. The ammunition was confiscated.

The National Assembly has recently communicated with the Military Government asking for the payment of the Members of Parliament at once. The amount due them for the first part of July is \$50,000 and \$20,000 is due the Members of Parliament for last month.

Word has been received that the Changchow authorities in Fukien have recently bought six aeroplanes. A trial flight took place the other day, when General Chen Ching-ming requested Mr. Li Kwong Fai, an aviator, to test one of the aeroplanes. The aeroplane went up to a height of more than six thousand feet—Canton Times.

Two Chinese women were arrested by the police yesterday, and charged with fighting in the streets. They were taken to the Central Police Station where they were granted bail of \$5 each. When the case was called before Mr. N. L. Smith at the Magistrate's court this morning, only one of the defendants was present. The other woman's bail was estreated. Replying to the Magistrate, Inspector Blackman, who prosecuted, said that it was a case of one woman tempting the other woman's husband. When the wronged wife met the other woman in the streets yesterday, she called her names, the complaint was returned with interest, and angry words led to blows. The Magistrate enquired who the woman in Court was, and the Inspector said that she was the temptress. The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$5.

When a Chinese was this morning charged before Mr. R. O. Hutchison, at the Magistrate's court, with having been found on the staircase of the first floor of No. 9 Leighton Hill Road, Wa chai, at 12.30 this morning for an unlawful purpose, he told the Magistrate that he went there to shelter from the rain. He had no intention of committing any felony. Inspector Kent who prosecuted said that as the door leading to the staircase was locked, the defendant could not have gained admittance that way. The defendant must have gained the staircase by scaling a wall 12 feet high at the back of the house, and entering by a small window which opened on to the staircase. Evidence was given by one of the servants of the house that when going up the stairs after he had locked the street door on his return from the theatre, he saw the defendant crouching on the staircase. The Magistrate passed sentence of three months' hard labour.

DRUNK AT EVERY PORT.

STOLE THE CAPTAIN'S WHISKY.

COOK AND STEWARD FINED.

At the Magistrate's court this morning, M. F. Higginson, and V. Breaux, two members of the crew of the American ship "Mulpao," were charged with the theft of eight bottles of whisky and one Cox automatic pistol respectively, the property of the Captain of the ship.

Both the defendants pleaded "guilty."

Sergeant Moss, of the Water Police, said that the second defendant was the Captain's steward and had access to his cabin. Yesterday, he entered the cabin and stole the revolver, and breaking open a case of whisky, took out eight bottles which he passed to Higginson. Between them, they smuggled the things ashore. When the Captain discovered the loss later in the day, he made enquiries ashore and found the defendants in a hotel with some of their friends drinking the whisky. He made a report at the Central Police Station, but did not wish to charge the defendants. Instead, he took them on board and placed them in irons. When the American Consul heard of this procedure he objected strongly and instructed the Captain either to free the defendants or to have a charge preferred against them. The Captain had no option then but to charge them.

Replying to the Magistrate, the Captain, who was present in Court, said that the second defendant was his "boy" and had access to almost everything he owned. The man had betrayed his trust. The Captain explained that he placed the men in irons with the intention of taking them to Manila to have them tried by the authorities there. Since the Consul objected to that procedure, of course, he had no option, as he could not let the defendants have the runs of the ship after what they had done.

Asked how many bottles of whisky had been recovered, Sergeant Moss produced three, and said that between the defendants and their friends, they finished five bottles.

Addressing the Captain, the Magistrate said that the point he would like settled was whether or not he wanted the defendants back on the ship.

The Captain: No, your Worship, I don't.

Replying to another question, the Captain said that the defendants were good workers when at sea, but they got drunk at every port and neglected their work as a result.

A \$50 fine, or in default one month's hard labour each was imposed. The second defendant said that he would like medical attendance, as he was ill.

The Magistrate said that if he could not pay his fine, he would receive attention from the prison doctor.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

The s.s. "Drufar," Capt. O. Olsen, 1,102 tons, arrived this morning at 6.30 a.m. from Saigon with 36,500 piculs of rice and general cargo.

The s.s. "Shini Maru," Capt. Konaka, 2,316 tons, arrived this morning at 7.10 a.m. from Moji with 1,080 tons of general cargo.

DEPARTURES.

The s.s. "Nikko Maru," Capt. Kusano, sailed for Melbourne via Manila at 11 a.m. to-day with 554 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Burma Maru," Capt. Takemaru, sailed for Bombay via Singapore at 10 a.m. to-day with 800 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Huichow," Captain Lovegrove, sailed for Tientsin via Weihaiwei at 6 a.m. to-day with 2,000 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Wingang," Capt. Jowitt, sailed for Manila at noon to-day with 1,500 tons of general cargo.

The s.s. "Elizabet," Capt. Brooks, sailed for Seattle via Manila at 2 p.m. to-day with 1,500 tons of general cargo.

CLEARANCES.

The s.s. "Yan chow," British, cleared to-day and will sail for Shanghai at 4 p.m. to-morrow.

The s.s. "Kun Yung Fat," Chinese, cleared to-day and will sail for Wu Shik via Hong Kong at 6 a.m. to-morrow.

It is said that Mr. Lu Min, the Director-General of the Canton-Samshui Railway Company, desiring to increase the business interests of his company, is planning to construct a new road to the station in Fatshan, a new branch railroad to Hoihow from Samshui and a race course on one of the suitable lots of ground near the railroad between Canton and Fatshan, reports the Canton Times.

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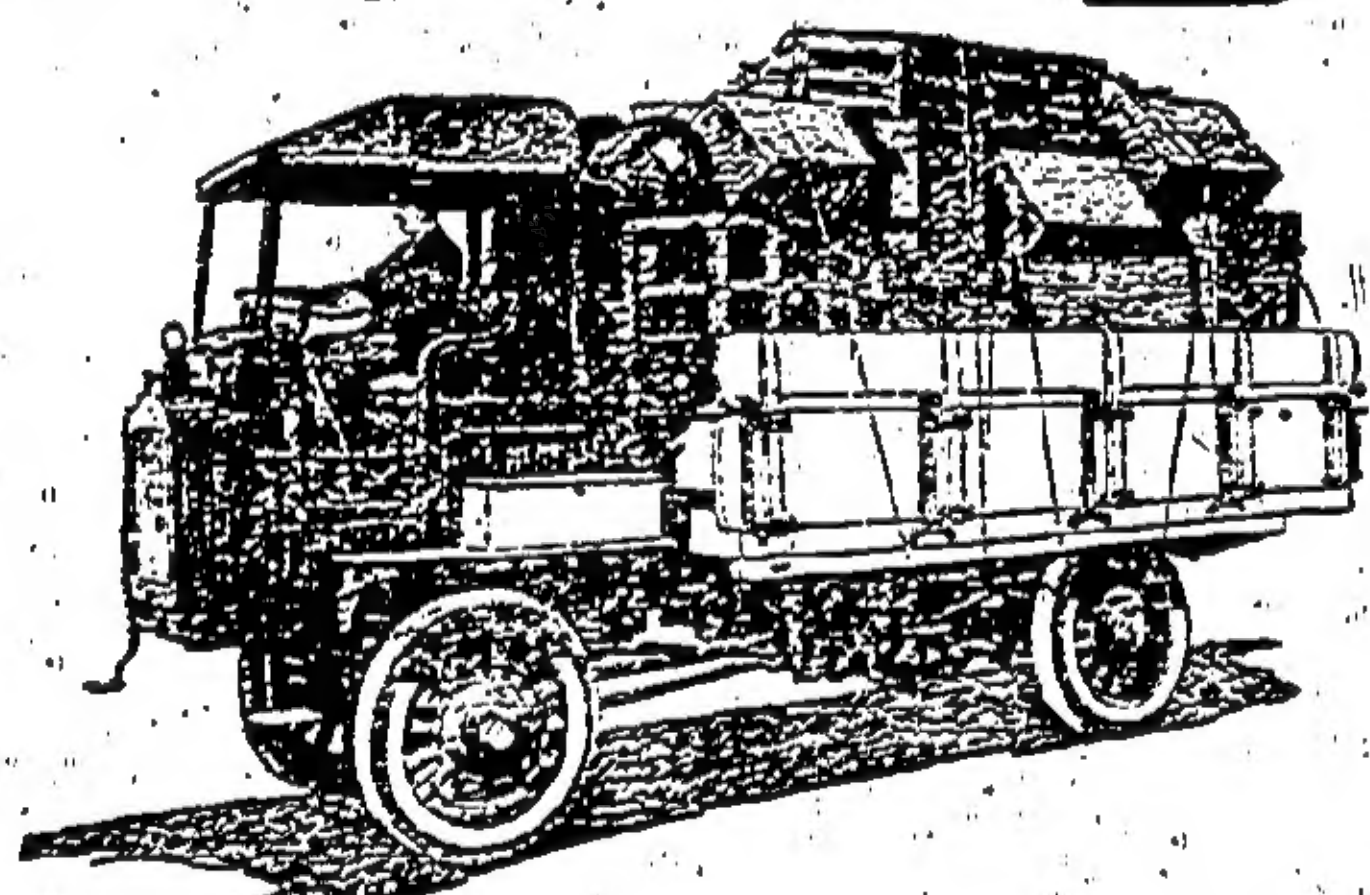
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IMPORTANT AMERICAN RULING.

A legal decision, which is likely to have a considerable influence throughout the whole world probably comes from America. It is to the effect that under the Tennessean Law, which abolishes illegitimacy, a natural child has been declared by the courts to be heir to a fortune of \$200,000—and this after a contest in which the brothers and sisters of the father laid claim to the sum in question.

The Tennessean Law provides that children born out of wedlock are entitled to share equally with children born in wedlock, the father being made to assume the same responsibility toward the illegitimate child as toward children born in wedlock. If the father is unmarried, the child becomes his heir direct. If the father is married and has other children, the child born out of wedlock receives the same rights as the children born in wedlock, both with respect to inheritance and to the responsibility of the father for education, care, etc.

Only in North Dakota, where the decision was rendered, does this law prevail, so far as America is concerned but it is stated that a similar

provision exists in Norway. Recent legislations in England, providing for greater protection for natural children, is probably no more than a step in the direction of the particular measure, although we fancy but one of very many steps that have yet to be taken before anything approaching the Tennessean Law is reached. England, it must be remembered, has more than any other country set its face resolutely against anything that would tend to impinge on the inviolable notion of marriage, as proof whereof we have what is almost an abhorrence on her part of the Scottish provisions for legitimating children born out of wedlock. Nevertheless it is certain that the decision we have just quoted will carry a remarkable influence throughout the civilized world.—N. C. Daily News

TYPHOON-WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received by the American Consulate General from the Manila Observatory to-day July 23—

10 a.m.

Cyclone of typhoon near or over the Southern part of Formosa Channel moving N.

TO CLIMB MT. EVEREST.

Reference to a forthcoming attempt to scale Mount Everest, the highest mountain peak in the world, was made by Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Francis Younghusband, President of the Royal Geographical Society, speaking at the anniversary meeting of the society in the Aeolian Hall, Colonel the Hon. Charles Bruce, Major Rawling, and others, he said, had had that project in mind for some time past, and for the last year both the Alpine Club and Geographical Society had been definitely entertaining the idea of helping forward the achievement of this object. They hoped within the next few years to hear of a human being standing on the pinnacle of the earth.

Although there was no more use in climbing Mount Everest than in kicking a football about, or dancing, he believed the accomplishment would do a great deal of good. It would elevate the human spirit, and would give men, especially geographers, a feeling that they were gradually getting the upper hand on the Earth, and that they were acquiring a true mastery of their surroundings.

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Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where made are advertised to close before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAIL.

FRIDAY, July 23.
Shanghai—Per DEVANHA.
Shanghai—Per SZECHUEN.
SATURDAY, July 24.
Shanghai—Per TOKUSHIMA MARU.
Japan—Per TATSUNO MARU.
Europe (via Negapatam)—Per TAKADA.
MONDAY, July 26.
Shanghai—Per SUNNING.
WEDNESDAY, July 28.
Shanghai and Japan—Per IYO MARU.
THURSDAY, July 29.
Straits—Per KAGA MARU.
FRIDAY, July 30.
Straits and Calcutta—Per SHINGO MARU.

OUTWARD MAIL.

FRIDAY, July 23.
Fort Bayard—Per SEUNGCHONG, 5 p.m.
Hoihow—Per KAM YING FAT, 5 p.m.
SATURDAY, July 24.
Shanghai and North China—Per YING-CHOW, 3 p.m.
Swatow—Shanghai and North China—Per SHANGHAI and North China—Per CHOY-SANG, 5 p.m.
Japan via Yokohama—Per TJSALAK, 5 p.m.
SUNDAY, July 25.
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Moji and SAN FRANCISCO—Per ALTAL MARU, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy, and Fuzhou via Keelung—Per SAHO MARU, 9 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, India, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Bombay, Egypt, Aden and EUROPE via MRS. SEVILLE—Per DEVANHA, Registration 9 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.
MONDAY, July 26.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, India, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Bombay, Egypt, Aden and EUROPE via MRS. SEVILLE—Per DEVANHA, Registration 9 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.
TUESDAY, July 27.
Amoy, Shanghai and North China—Per SZECHUEN, 9 a.m.
Straits, Amoy, and Fuzhou—Per KAN-CHOW, 10 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fuzhou—Per HAI-LOONG, 1 p.m.
THURSDAY, July 29.
Shanghai and North China—Per SUNNING, 10 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, India, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Bombay, Egypt, Aden and EUROPE via MRS. SEVILLE—Per IYO MARU, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
FRIDAY, July 30.
Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per KAGA MARU, 10 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fuzhou—Per HAI-LOONG, 1 p.m.
SATURDAY, July 31.
Shanghai and North China—Per OREYAN, 3 a.m.
TUESDAY, August 3.
Philippine Islands—Per TAMING, 3 p.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

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DEPARTURE.

The following left by the s.s. "China" (China Mail s.s. "China") yesterday: Mr. B. Adamson, Mr. O. Bonner, Capt. J. H. Corcoran, Mr. J. P. R. Dorren, Mr. R. A. Filas, Messrs. A. J. Fernandez, Fernandez, A. P. de la Cruz, Mr. and Mrs. Hughes, Capt. J. S. Horne, Mr. O. Humphreys, Mr. T. Hen, Mrs. O. Hen, Miss Z. A. Hen, Miss F. Hen, Master D. P. Hen, Miss Z. A. Hen, Master J. Webber, Mr. E. Klemmer, Mr. O. W. Leary, Mr. Y. Y. Lee, Mr. J. Maassman, Dr. O. W. McKean, Mr. and Mrs. Ritchie, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Simos, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Smith, Master B. Smith, Mr. A. A. Martin, Mr. H. H. Silva, Master G. Silva, Mr. F. Silva, Mr. and Mrs. W. Turner, Mr. A. M. O. Weber, and infant, Mr. B. Wessenharen, and Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Ockle.

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THE PRINCE'S TRICK.

TESTING A BAD COIN SPOTTER.

An anecdote about the Prince of Wales was told to the American Luncheon Club at the Savoy Hotel, W.C., by Mr. Martin Vogel, Assistant Treasurer of the United States Government.

The Prince was admiring the dexterity of the New York Treasury employees in picking out counterfeit coins from the piles of money they count. Watching one man at work, the Prince asked: "Can he spot a bad coin immediately?"

"Sure," said Mr. Vogel.

"Let's test him," said the Prince.

A counterfeit coin was obtained, and unseen by the teller the Prince slipped it into a pile of good coins. When the man came to the coin he whipped it out instantly.

"Well done, my lad!" cried the Prince, and shook hands with him, thereby, said Mr. Vogel, becoming the hero of the office.

Mr. Vogel amused his hearers by citing a conundrum which, he said, had been put to Mr. Asquith without eliciting the correct reply. The riddle was: "What is the difference between lead and the English Channel?" The answer was: "Weight and Sea."

AGROUND AT YOKOHAMA.

PACIFIC MAIL FREIGHTER.

The Pacific Mail freighter "West Mingo" went aground early on the morning of July 9 about a mile from the entrance to the breakwater at Yokohama. Efforts to float her at high tide just before noon were unsuccessful. During the afternoon about 500 tons of cargo were discharged into lighters and another attempt was to be made at high tide at night.

The cause of the grounding is not known, but she was hurrying to port to get early pratique and it is possible that the fishing boats which display strong lights may have been mistaken for the harbour lights. She is in no danger as the bottom is soft mud. The stern is in deep water as far forward as the bridge and it is only a question of lightening the ship to get her afloat again. The agents believe that enough cargo was taken out to get her off at the next high tide.

The "West Mingo" is a United States Shipping Board vessel operated by the Pacific Mail Company in a round-the-world freight service. She is 410 feet long, 54 feet beam and has a carrying capacity of 6,000 tons. She was built at Los Angeles.

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